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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Introductory Comments

The original U.S. National Stage Application Serial Number 09/530,621 (my reference P-986), was filed with the USPTO on July 3, 2000, based on PCT/EP98/06882, which was filed with the European Patent Office on October 30, 1998, claiming priority from German Patent application 197 48 000.4, which was filed on October 30, 1997 and German Patent application 198 28 175.7, which was filed on June 24, 1998. The claims of the above-referenced U.S. Patent application (p-986) were allowed and the above-referenced application will issue as U.S. Patent Number 6,589,425 on July 8, 2003.

The present application (P-986A) is a divisional application based on application Serial Number 09/530,621

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claiming subject matter that was not allowed in the earlier  
filed U.S. Patent application (P-986).